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DotHouse Health Names Former Chief Administrative Officer Michelle Nadow as New President & CEO

Interim CEO Michelle Nadow has been appointed as the new President and CEO of DotHouse Health, a Joint Commission accredited health center and affiliate of Boston Medical Center.

Ms. Nadow has been a part of the DotHouse Health team for over 10 years, first as the Director of Public Policy and Advocacy and then as Chief Administrative Officer. Most recently, Nadow has been also serving as the Interim CEO of the 128 year old Dorchester institution since May when former President and CEO Walter Ramos departed for Carney Hospital.



Michelle has proven herself by her dedicated and effective leadership of DotHouse Health as Interim CEO over the last several months and the many years of leadership she has provided.” said Arthur Lavoie, Chairman of the Board of Directors for DotHouse Health. “In addition to the support of the Board and staff, Michelle has the respect of her colleagues in the health care industry. We appreciate Michelle’s investment in the health center’s mission of providing quality, accessible care that helps to promote community health in Dorchester.”

Michelle’s professional career has been dedicated to serving vulnerable populations through positions in government, public health and health care. She spent 8 years working as a senior aide to a state representative in the Massachusetts House of Representatives. In this role Michelle was chiefly responsible for the management and constituent services for State Representative Christopher Hodgkins of Lee, including drafting legislation and budget amendments. Following her position at the State House, Michelle worked for 3 years at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) coordinating school health programs in collaboration with the Department of Education. During her time at MDPH, Michelle oversaw the development of a statewide report on youth and young adults and provided professional development to administrators and educators on school-based health policies and programs to address youth risk behaviors. While at MDPH, Michelle presented at two national conferences screening youth for behavioral health risk factors within the school setting.

At DotHouse Health, Michelle was serving as the Chief Administrative Officer. In this role Michelle was responsible for public policy, non-clinical programs and services, compliance with federal health center guidelines, grants management and foundation relations. Michelle has developed and implemented new programs and services to meet community and patient needs related to early childhood education, legal services and case management. She has successfully facilitated both a community needs assessment of the health center’s service area as well as a site visit from the Health Resources and Services Administration, the federal agency which oversees DotHouse Health’s operation as a health center. Michelle has achieved new funding opportunities for the health center in supporting the expansion of behavioral health integration and primary care access, as well as to support the implementation of services to address

prevalent health conditions in Dorchester such as hypertension and asthma. Michelle has also been a strong advocate for the health center's financial asset building programs, including the health center's annual free tax preparation clinic. As a result she has presented DotHouse Health's financial programs at the Assets Learning Conference sponsored by The Corporation for Enterprise Development and at the National Summit on Community Health Center and Lending sponsored by the Kresge Foundation.

"I am honored to have been selected by the Governing Board as the next CEO," said Michelle Nadow. "Having been employed at DotHouse for over 10 years, it is a special privilege to work in the Dorchester community. I look forward to continue working with our dedicated staff who emphasizes the delivery of high quality patient care and services."

Michelle has participated in continuing professional development while working at DotHouse Health including: a fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Community Health Leadership at the Blue Cross Blue Shield Foundation, the Geiger Gibson Capstone Program in Health Policy and Leadership at George Washington University and Advanced Study in Health Center Financial Management through the Massachusetts League of Community Health Centers and Suffolk University. Michelle holds a B.A. from Rutgers University and a Master of Science Degree in Public Affairs from the John W. McCormack School for Policy Studies from the University of Massachusetts Boston.

"Michelle's understanding of programs and services and most importantly her desire to lead is what made her best suited to move DotHouse Health forward in a cohesive and healthy manner," explained Julita Mir, MD, Chief Medical Officer of DotHouse Health.

Michelle is originally from Great Barrington, Massachusetts, she resides in Chelsea with her husband and two children.

ABOUT DOTHOUSE HEALTH

DotHouse Health is a federally qualified health center located in the Fields Corner neighborhood of Dorchester. DotHouse Health has provided essential healthcare, social services and wellness opportunities to the community for over 40 years. At DotHouse Health we know that the health disparities in our community cannot be addressed through the treatment of individual, medically based issues alone. As such, we offer our over 23,000 patients extensive case management, financial and legal services as well as a number of community programs. By connecting our patients with comprehensive primary care, social services and in-house programs – all under one roof – we support the overall good health of our patients and build a stronger and healthier community.